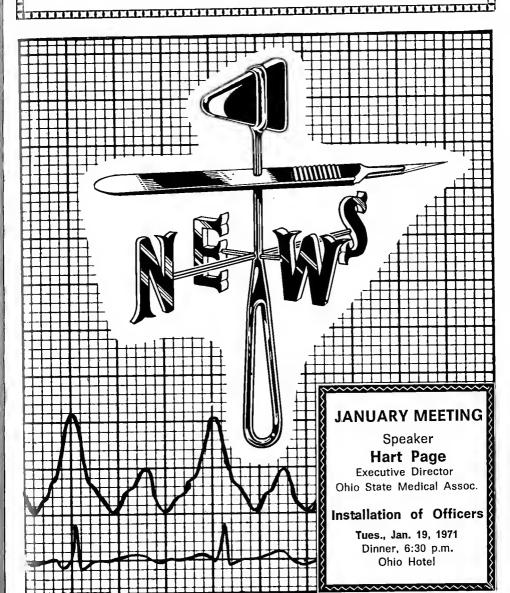
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#### From the Desk of the President

When I accepted the gavel of a society soon to celebrate its one-hundredth anniversary, I could not help but think that the problems faced by other incoming presidents were not any more severe than those that are present today. To be presumptious enough to believe that I have the skill and ability to solve all these problems would certainly display my lack of practical knowledge in medical politics and stamp me as an idealistic dreamer, which maybe would not be too bad of a stamp. However, in the cool gray light of this late December morning when I take the time to place my ideas on paper, I will try to put forth those which I hope will be capable of causing a critical comment from our society.

In the first place, I'm going to try hard to find that "magic bullet", so sought-after in medicine, that would have the capability of uniting all physicians in the great effort to show that our present system of private practice, with minor changes, is still the best and only system capable of giving the optimum of medical care to our patients. As a side effect I hope that it would also have a large "anti-apathy component", so that physicians would not be split-off by specialty societies, hospital staff allegiances, etc., into small splinter groups that leave the large body of medicine naked and vulnerable and at the same time more easily managed politically into positions of impotence by those with dreams of power who never had one day's work in an outpatient clinic or got up at 3:00 a.m. on a Christmas morning to deliver a baby. The recent debacle in the nearby province of Quebec bears out this and the idea of "it can't happen here" only if we prevent it ourselves.

The third component of action would be some pep-up effect on attendance at society meetings. At a recent meeting, the largest this past year, about 30% of the total membership was present and the issue on debate was decided by a vote of 62 to 55. This is hardly to be considered as a mandate for the president to follow. What does the 70% not voting think? On which side do they fall? How do I get them interested enough to participate?

The present thrust of medical education is hospital-oriented and this relieves the medical society of its long established role as the site of continuing education for physicans — thus the programming of a meeting in 1971 will not have the same structure as that of 15-20 years ago. The visiting medical specialist, a constant fixture, as the main attraction of the meeting is, to my mind, as dead as a Dodo. What does the society want? The medical scientific meeting at the county level seems doomed, but nothing has really been proposed in its place.

Having proposed a "magic bullet" whose chemistry, formula, side reactions and results are all unknown, I have lit my candle rather than protest the darkness. It is up to my fellow physicians to guide its feeble rays in achieving the goals they desire.

—John F. Stotler, M.D. President

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#### **Editorial**

#### ON MEDICAL WRITING

We get most of our medical knowledge by keeping abreast of current medical literature. But scientific enquiry and its orderly presentation, as noted in many journals today, is sometimes more dulling to the senses, clouding to the mind—an actual feeling of sapping of physical strength, until the reader is asleep,

'that sweet, deep sleep, so close to tranquil death'

as Virgil once said.

Maybe the above charge is too stern and in most instances it is, to be sure. But one must admit that in every current journal there are at least two or three articles that the editor must have inserted to insure his colleagues their proper amount of rest.

I see nothing wrong with returning to the colorful, stimulating methods of writers generations ago, which reported data with precision and exactness-well, sometimes they weren't too exactbut left the reader wide-eyed, alert and eager to pickup next month's issue. I mean, it's pleasant to read Leonardo de Vinci's description of arteriosclerosis as

veins which by the thickening of their tunicles

restrict the passage of blood";

or to feel the excitement in the operating room amphitheater of surgeon John Warren Collins, who performed the first operation under general anesthesia following the advent of ether, when he was heard to exclaim:

'This is no humbug''.

Much of the tedium underlying modern day literature stems from the fact that many authors look upon writing articles as a formality to be completed in the routine of a career; the "publish or perish" philosophy nurtures this concept along. The standard of medical writers has hardened their readers to become accustomed to the boring monotony of routine medical jargon, which can be pretty tough stuff to swallow. Also, as physicians, our reading matter is chiefly scientific journals, and that becomes our style of writing—a ghastly one at that! Maybe this plea is asking too much; after all, physicians as writers are no different from writers as writers-nobody's perfect. Somerset Maugham expressed it best in his "The Summing Up"—

"If you could write lucidly, simply, euphoniously and yet with liveliness, you would write perfectly:

you would write like Voltaire"

—F. A. Pesa, M.D. Editor

# In Memoriam

#### GEORGE M. McKELVEY, M.D. 1907 - 1970

Dr. George M. McKelvey was president of the Mahoning County Medical Society in 1947. He had been retired from practice for a number of years.

Dr. McKelvey was born in Youngstown, where he attended McKinley School and Rayen School. He went to Asheville Preparatory School and Dartmouth, and received his M.D. degree at Harvard University in 1933.

He interned, and later was a resident in surgery, at Lakeside Hospital in Cleveland. He returned to Youngstown as a general surgeon on the staff of Youngstown Hospital Association, later becoming Director of Surgery. His office was at 101 Lincoln Ave.

Dr. McKelvey was a diplomate of the American Board of Surgery, a Fellow of the International College of Surgeons and a member of the American College of Surgeons. He was chief surgeon for the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Co., later the Youngstown division of U. S. Steel Corp.

He was a director of the Union National Bank and the Edward Bell Corp., a member of First Presbyterian Church, Al Koran Shrine, a 32nd degree Mason and a member of the Youngstown Club and Youngstown Country Club. He served for a time as vice president and director of the G. M. McKelvey Co. and president of Wheeler Mineral Springs Co.

The medical profession and the community are saddened by the passing of a fine physician.

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PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL **DECEMBER 9, 1970** 

The regular meeting of the Council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Wednesday, Dec. 9, 1970, at the Ohio

Hotel, Youngstown.

The following physicians were present: R. L. Jenkins, president, presiding, R. A. Abdu, J. J. Anderson, Louis Bloomberg, B. P. Brucoli, G. E. DeCicco, Henry Holden, R. D. Murray, M. C. Raupple, Jack Schreiber, J. F. Stotler, J. W. Tandatnick, and Kurt Wegner. Also present were: Dr. W. M. Greissinger, Dr. M. J. Vuksta and Lloyd Stillson. The following physicians were absent: L. P. Caccamo, K. E. Camp, D. J. Dallis, S. F. Gaylord, J. C. Melnick, J. V. Newsome, C. E. Pichette and L. J. Zehr.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the secretary dispense with reading the minutes of the last meeting. Bills were read. The motion was made, seconded and duly

passed that each bill be paid.

The names of the following applicants were presented by the censors:

**ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP** 

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Joseph J. Naples, M.D., Anesthesiology Dept., Yo. Hosp. Assn. C. B. Reddy, M.D., Anesthesiology Dept., Yo. Hosp. Assn.

The applications were approved. The above applicants will become members of the Mahoning County Medical Society within fifteen days after publication in the Bulletin, unless objection is

filed in writing with the secretary during that time.

Lloyd Stillson discussed the Mahoning County Medical Society disability insurance plan as compared with a plan presented to council at the last meeting. Following discussion, the motion was made by Dr. Wegner, and properly seconded, that, due to further information received on disability insurance, it is necessary for council to revoke the previous motion of endorsement, and any further contact with members by anyone other than the current Mahoning County Medical Society disability plan will not have the endorsement of council and the Society. Motion was passed.

Dr. Vuksta made a report for the Trauma Committee. The Committee has sponsored a series of meetings with hospital and ambulance personnel concerning a proposed communications system between the ambulances and the hospital emergency rooms. He announced that a system by Motorola had been approved by all parties and that they were seeking a grant that would permit equipment to be purchased at approximately half price. The grant will

be acquired through the Mahoning County Medical Society.

The motion was made by Dr. Anderson, and properly seconded, that the medical society accept and endorse the program and lend the medical society's authority to strongly urge all ambulances in the community to accept the program. Motion was passed.

Dr. Vuksta reported for the Athletic Injury Committee. He discussed team physician attendance at high school games, and announced that there would be an athletics injury meeting in Youngstown in May, with a possible refresher in August.

A report was read from Dr. Randell, chairman of the Constitution Committee advising the necessary change in the constitution to permit osteopathic physicans to become members. Dr. Bloomberg made the motion, properly seconded, that the report be accepted. Motion was passed.

Dr. Greissinger discussed the Model Cities program and the low priority given to health proposals. He asked for an ad hoc committee to study the program and health proposals. Dr. Schreiber made the motion, properly seconded, that the matter be referred to the Health Planning Committee. Motion was passed.

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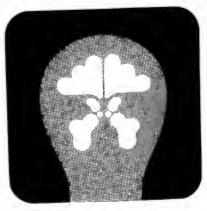
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## From the Bulletin

#### THIRTY YEARS AGO — JANUARY 1941

Orville J. Walker was President that year, Walter K. Stewart was President-Elect and Claude Norris was Editor of the Bulletin. All three are dead and gone now and to many of you they are just

names, but they were all remarkable men.

Dr. Walker came here soon after World War I to be the pathologist at the Youngstown Hospital. He was the first one to hold Clinical-Pathological Conferences although they were not so-called then. He would just get up at Staff meetings and talk and talk about the Pathologic findings whenever a case was discussed and it was often very tiresome. It must have seemed tiresome to him too, for he quit after a few years and went away to study E.E.N. & T. When he came back he opened an office in the Home Savings & Loan Bldg. and became a leading specialist in his field. He was always interested in Society affairs and had a flair for politics. For years he headed the legal committee and at every election he interviewed the candidates for State and Legislature and informed our members of their views. He was instrumental in having local candidates for Mayor pledged to consult the Medical Society on appointments of doctors to health administration offices. He inaugurated the Allied Professions Organization which included physicians, pharmacists, nurses and hospital personnel into a strong pressure group to influence legislation on health matters. He was absolutely dedicated to the cause of good medicine and many of the public relations activities we pursue today were started by him.

Dr. Stewart was a friendly, outgoing extrovert who spent more time in promoting Medical Society affairs than he did in his general practice. At least it seemed so. He was loved by everybody

and more about him later.

Claude Norris came here from North Dakota to be the first dermatologist in Youngstown. He had a dynamic, explosive personality; voluble in speech and highly intelligent. He was part Cherokee as was his wife. His office on Lincoln Avenue was thronged with patients who usually received a dozen prescriptions including internal medication, diets, vitamins and surface applications.

As Editor he attended council meetings and they usually lasted long after midnight because Claude never finished talking. After the Council meetings we would repair to the nearest bistro to refresh ourselves and listen to Claude. He worked hard and after years of practice bought a plantation in Virginia called "Belle Nemus" where he planned to retire. He went there and worked harder than ever restoring the place. He lasted only a year at that when a series of strokes ended his colorful career.

Those three men: Walker, Stewart and Norris along with Bill Skipp did a lot for our Society and they should be remembered.

Asher Randell was the first member to leave for army service. The members at the annual business meeting voted to change the official "afternoon-off" from Wednesday to Thursday.

#### TWENTY YEARS AGO - JANUARY 1951

Elmer Wenaas took office as President. In his page he called attention to the international crisis in Korea and the need for doctors in both the armed forces and the enlarged civil defense pro-

gram.

C. A. Gustafson was voted President-Elect. G. E. DeCicco was Secretary and A. K. Phillips Treasurer. There were 250 active members, 24 interne members, 2 associate, 12 non-resident and 14 honorary. Dues were increased \$15.00 to \$50.00 a year. The auditor reported a cash balance of \$1,493.46 on deposit and total assets of \$21,108.14.

The Bulletin celebrated its twentieth anniversary. S. W. Ondash was Editor. Howard Mathay was President of the Academy of General Practice and David Levy was President-Elect. W. H. Evans headed the St. Elizabeth Staff and Gordon Nelson the Youngstown

Hospital Staff.

Doctors again were filling out questionnaires for the Selective Service. Harold Segall was the first to be re-called to active duty

with the U.S. Navy.

New members that month were John LoCricchio and Edward M. Thomas, W. J. Tims as Health Commissioner recommends fluoridation of the water supply. Leading articles by local authors were "Arterial Transfusion" by Patrick Cestone and "Occupational Therapy" by Ivan Smith. C. S. Lowendorf and Rollis Miller gave demonstrations at the A.M.A. interim meeting in Cleveland.

William Breesman opened his office in Boardman for practice of internal medicine. Sidney Franklin, head of the local Veteran's Administration office, was transferred to Akron but retained his

residence in Youngstown.

W. H. Bunn, Šr. announced a plan sponsored by the Youngstown Area Heart Association to prevent rheumatic fever by early and adequate treatment of streptococcal infections in school children. Today it is being revived by the Heart Association and Wm. Bunn, Jr.

TEN YEARS AGO - JANUARY 1961

New officers were A. K. Phillips President, C. W. Stertzbach President-Elect, C. E. Pichette Secretary, H. P. McGregor Treasurer,

J. J. McDonough Editor.

Jack Schreiber announced a new series of lectures on humanities, the arts, philosophy and literature given by the Faculty of Youngstown University every Thursday evening designed to broaden the over-all knowledge and cultural advancement of the members.

Henri Schmid, W. K. Allsop, E. Henry Jones and Walter B.

Turner were honored for fifty years of service.

After a fatal accident involving a speeding ambulance, Council sent a notice to the City Traffic Department, the Sheriffs Office, the State Highway Patrol and the ambulance companies recommending that ambulances observe the rules of traffic.

W. P. Young was elected President of the Academy of General Practice. President-Elect was Robert R. Fisher. Clyde Walker was

named "General Practitioner of the Year".

Editor McDonough was concerned because it seemed that many of our members do not read the BULLETIN. He recommended

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that more members contribute material and create greater interest.

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so much to read that nobody can keep up with it.

Whatever you throw away, don't discard the BULLETIN. It is the personal record of your friends and associates. It records the changing scene in medical practice in Mahoning County. If you wish to know what was done when, look up your old copies of the BULLETIN.

It is a document of medical history.

#### MYRON C. HANYSH, M.D. 1916 - 1970

In spite of the fact that Dr. Hanysh was known to have been ill for half a year, his death on Dec. 4th came as a sobering jolt to his fellow physicians. Dr. Hanysh was only 54 years old - the prime of life for a doctor.

He was born in Youngstown, attended Jackson-Milton High School, received a B.S. degree in pharmacy at Ohio State University, and his M.D. degree in 1943 at Hahnemann Medical College.

In 1944, he served with the Army Medical Corps as a first lieutenant, later returning to Lisbon, where he opened an office from 1945 to 1951. His office in Youngstown was at 2521 Mahoning Ave.

In 1965, he was appointed police physician for Youngstown by Mayor Anthony B. Flask and held that position until 1969. He was a member of the Wickliffe U.P. Church, the New Lisbon Lodge, No. 65, F. & A.M. and the Scottish Rite of Canton.

Dr. Hanysh was a general practitioner and his passing is a

loss to the community.

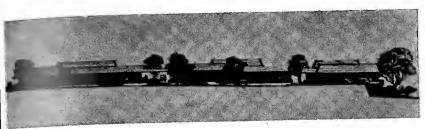
#### **FIVE RECEIVE FIFTY-YEAR HONORS**

Five members received the Ohio State Medical Association fifty-year award at the Dec. 16th meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society. Honored for a half-century of service to medicine were:

Bernard J. Dreiling, M.D. Patrick H. Kennedy, M.D. Harry E. Fusselman, M.D. Vern Argyle Neel, M.D. Moses Henry Speck, M.D.

Dr. Dreiling and Dr. Fusselman were present to receive the pin and plaque, along with a standing ovation. The other three were unable to attend. Presentation was made by Dr. Maurice F. Lieber, from Canton, who is the Councilor for the Sixth District, OSMA.

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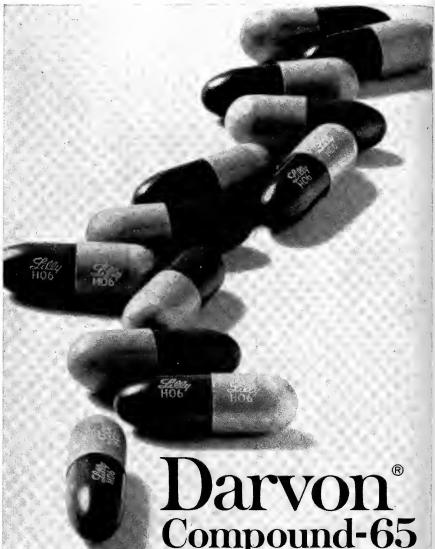
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